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Station location: Anderson, S.C.

Name of Licensee: THE ONE CORPORATION (AL 8-8-78 EFF: 10-2-78)
x FRANK L. OUTLAW, II (AL 5-31-78 EFF: 7-1-78)
x WILTON E. HALL

Intersection of Williamston and Simpson Rds., Anderson, South Carolina (P 2-11-81)
x Anderson College, Anderson, South Carolina (Mod. C.P. 3-19-35) Lic. 4-30-35
Transmitter x 316-320 North Main St.,
Location: Anderson, South Carolina

29623 x SAME AS TRANS. SITE (P801020AS 2-11-81)
x 321 Kingsley Road, Anderson S. C. (Re-descript. Amend. 7-30-57)
xx 1 Martin Street, Anderson, S.C. (Ren. 3-19-52)
x Anderson College, Anderson, South Carolina (Mod. C.P. 3-19-35) Lic. 4-30-35
Main Studio x 112 East Market St.,
Location: Anderson, South Carolina.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	PERIOD From To
B3-P-185a	1-8-35 Construction Permit	1200	100w	U	3-8 9-8-35
B3-MP-128	3-19-35	Mod.C.P.	move trans. & install new equip.		3-8 9-8-35
B3-L-142	4-30-35 License to cover C.P. for new station	1200	100w	U	4-30 12-1-35
B3-S-842	6-11-35 c.a.6-4-35	To resume operation, while towers are being painted & lighted according C.P. for period 6-4-35 to 6-18-35.			
B3-R-842	11-19-35	1200	100w	U	12-1 6-1-36
Letter B3-P-737*	4-7-36	630	1kw	daytime -	trans.site
		and antenna to be determined			chg.equip.
B3-R-842	5-21-36	1200	100w	U	6-1 12-1-36
B3-R-842	11-17-36	1200	100w	U	12-1 6-1-37
B3-R-842	5-11-37	1200	100w	U	6-1 12-1-37
B3-R-842	C.A. 11-22-37	1200	100w	U	12-1 6-1-38
B3-R-842	5-4-38	1200	100w	U	6-1 12-1-36
B3-R-842	11-15-38	1200	100w	U	12-1 6-1-39
B3-R-842	5-8-39	1200	100w	U	6-1 12-1-39
B3-R-842	11-27-39	1200	100w	U	12-1 10-1-40
B3-R-842	2/20/40	1200	100w	U	3/18/1/40
B3-Z-366	3-25-40	1200	100w	U	3-25 8-1-40
	Mod of lic. deter.oper.power by direct method.				
Order	6/12/40	Extension of License			8/1 10/1/40
Order	9-10-40	Extension of license			10-1 3-29-41
B3-P-2935	11-19-40 C.P. install new transmitter, new antenna and increase power	1200	250w	U	1-19 7-19-41
NARBA REALLOCATION					
B3-R-842	3-24-41	1230	100w	U	3-29 10-1-41
B3-L-1381	5-8-41 Lic. to cover C.P.2935 for new T, new antenna and increase power.	1230	250w	U	5-8 10-1-41
B3-Z-914	5-29-41 Determine operating power by direct measurement.	1230	250w	U	5-29 10-1-41
Appl. B3-P-737 Retired to Closed files Min.4-18-37					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Name of

WILTON E. HALL

Licensee: _____

Transmitter

Location: _____

Main Studio

Location: _____

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	PERIOD From To
B3-S-842	9-23-41	Extension of license			10-1 11-1-41
B3-R-842	10-21-41	1230	250w	U	10-21 10-1-42
B3-R-842	9-8-42	1230	250w	U	10-1 2-1-43
B3-S-842	11-6-42	1230	250w	U	12-1 2-1-43
	Mod. in accordance with Order #107				
B3-S-842	1-19-43	Extension of license			2-1 3-1-43
B3-R-842	2-9-43	1230	250w	U	2-9- 2-1-45
B3-S-842	1-25-45	Extension of license			2-1 4-1-45
B3-R-842	2-13-45	1230	250w	U	2-13 2-1-46
B3-S-842	7-10-45	1230	250w	U	10-1 2-1-46
	Mod. Lic. Order 107-A				
B3-S-842	1-23-46	Extension of license			2-1 4-1-46
B3-S-842	3-20-46	Extension of license			4-1 6-1-46
B3-R-842	4-10-46	1230	250w	U	4-10 2-1-49
B3-P-5310	10-15-46	C.P. install new vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on top AM tower			12-15 6-15-47
BMP-2742	5-21-47	Mod. C.P.(5310) for extension of C & C dates.			9-15 12-15-47
BMP-3446	12-17-47	1230	250w	U	9-15-47
	Mod.C.P.(5310) for ext. comp. date.				3-15-48
BP-6682	4-20-48	1230	250w	U	6-20 12-20-48
	CP to reinstate CP (5310)				
BL-3400	11-4-48	1230	250w	U	11-4 2-1-49
	Lic. to cover CP 6682 new vertical antenna mount FM antenna top AM tower.				
BR-842	1-18-49	1230	250w	U	2-1 2-1-52
BS-842	2-7-49	1230	250w	U	2-7 2-1-52
	Mod. Lic. to correct geographic coordinates.				
BS-842	1-30-52	Extension of license			2-1 3-1-52
BR-842	3-19-52	1230	250w	U	3-19 12-1-54
BRC-167 (1)	9-4-53	Mod. of license to operate transmitter by R. C. from 1 Martin St., Anderson, S. Carolina			
BZ-3568 (2)	5-7-54	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.			

Form BC-126

June 1954

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Name of licensee See Card 1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
Telegram	11-29-54	Action on renewal deferred 11-24-54 and continued operation authorized until final determination on renewal.			
BR-842	1-19-55	1230	250w	U	1-19 12-1-57
BR-842	11-6-57	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-60
-----	11-30-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-842	2-1-61	1230kc	250w	U	2-1 12-1-63
BP-13156	2-23-61	1230kc	250w-1kw LS	U	4-23 10-23-61
	CP to increase daytime power and install a new transmitter. (COND'L)				
BL-8465 (1)	8-10-61	Lic. to cover CP (BP-13,156) which auth. inc. daytime power and the installation of a new transmitter.			
BR-842	11-27-63	1230kc	250w, 1kw-LS	U	12-1 12-1-66
BL-10,518	6-30-64	1230kc	250w- 1kw Aux		6-30 12-1-66
		Lic to use old main trans (W.E. 451-AL) at present loc of main trans; to be operated on 1230kc, 250w, for auxiliary purposes only.			
BZ-6002 (1) MAINT	6-22-66	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power			
BZ-6027 (1) AUX.	7-12-66	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power			
BR-842	12-21-66	1230kc	250w, 1kw-LS	U	12-21 12-1-69
			250W Aux.		12-21 12-1-69
BZ-6581 (2)	8-29-67 (Main)	Auth. to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power			
BZ-6582 (1)	8-29-67 (Aux.)	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power			
BR-842	12-24-69	Renewal			Main & Aux. 12-1 12-1-72
-----	Renewal of NDEA				
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-842	12-20-72	Renewal			Main & Aux. 12-1-75
BR-842(S)	11-26-75	RENEWAL (Main & Aux.)			12-1-78
BZ-8980(L)	2-26-76	Direct Measurement			12-1-78

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June 1975

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-30-35

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BAL-9262	5-31-78	VOL. AL	EFF:	7-1-78	
BAL780720BD	8-8-78	VOL. AL	EFF:	10-2-78	
BR780802UDL	3-20-79	Renewal of License			12-1-81
BZ-800731AF	(1) 8-21-80	DIRECT MEASUREMENT			
COMTEL	8-15-80	REFERENCE MINOR CHANGE APPLICATION, FILE# BP-800602AK, TO INCREASE HEIGHT OF AM TOWER TO ACCOMMODATE FM ANTENNA. APPLICATION IS INCOMPLETE. NEED COMPLETED SECTION V G OF FCC FORM 301. 15 DAYS ALLOWED TO SUBMIT AMENDMENT, IN TRIPLICATE TO SECRETARY, FCC.			
BP801020AS (L)	2-11-81	1230khz CP to chg. TL &	.25kw SL	1.0kw Unl.	2-11-82

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WAIMName Wilton E. Hall

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-P-185A	10-23-34	FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION RECORDS Construction permit for new station requesting Frequency: 1200 kc Power: 100w, 250w-LS 100w Hrs. of Oper: Unlimited Transmitter and Studio Location: 112 East Market, Anderson, South Carolina	Granted	1-8-35
Amended	11-21-34	requesting change of power from 100w, 250w-LS to 100w		
Amended	12-12-34	AMENDED: Move Trans to 310-320 N. Main St. and amended Re; equipment.		
B3-MP-113	1-23-35	Modification of construction permit to increase power from 100w, to 100w, 250w-LS.	Returned Request of applicant	2-12-35

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W A I MName WILTON E. HALL

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-R-842	10-3-35	Renewal of license	Granted	11-19-35
B3-R-842n Resubmitted	3-16-36 3-16-36	Renewal of License (Jurat)	Returned Granted	4-23-36 5-21-36
P3-MP-338 Amended	6-8-36 6-23-36	Modification of construction permit (P3-P-737) to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited time, using 1 kw power, install directional antenna for night use Giving exact transmitter site as Anderson College, Anderson, South Carolina.	ORDER OF DISMISSAL Request of Applicant Min. 2-2-37	
B3-R-842	10-14-36	Renewal of license	Granted	11-17-36

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-MP-128	2-7-35	Mod. of C.P.(B3-P-185-A) to make equip. changes and move transmitter from 316-320 N.Main St. Anderson, S.C. to Anderson, S.C. (no street name)		
Amended	3-4-35	To make further changes in equipment and giving transmitter & studio location as Anderson College, Anderson, S.C.	Granted	3-19-35
B3-L-142	4-3-35	License to cover CP(B3-P-185A) as modified to construct new station	Granted	4-30-35
B3-P-737	7-29-35	Construction permit to change frequency from 1200 kc to 590 kc , install new equipment, increase power from 100w to 250w , 1kw-LS and move transmitter from Anderson College, Anderson, South Carolina to Site to be determined, Anderson, South Carolina	Granted	4-7-36 as amended, 630 kc.1kw, daytime only, trans. site and antenna to be determined - Letter
Amended	3-7-36	RE: change requested freq. from 590 to 630 kc, change requested power from 250w-1kw-LS to 1kw-daytime only.	Appl.retired to closed Files -Min.4-16-37	

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B3-MP-462	1-20-37	Mod. of C.P. (B3-P-737) for change in freq. power, and equip. and move of trans. for approval of vertical antenna and trans. & studio site as site to be determined, Florence, S.C.	Returned Request of	4-8-37 attorney
B3-R-842	3-20-37	Renewal of license	Granted	5-11-37
B3-R-842 Resubmitted	9-23-37 10-18-37	Renewal of license (22 nd Jurat)	Returned Granted CA	10-14-37 11-22-37

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B3-R-842 Resubmitted	3-25-38 4-6-38	Renewal of license (Sec. 10c & 10e)	Returned Granted	4-4-38 5-4-38
B3-R-842	9-29-38	Renewal of license	Granted	11-15-38
B3-R-842	3-21-39	Renewal of license	Granted	5-8-39
B3-R-842 Resubmitted	9-26-39 "	Renewal of license (Sec. 1711, 18e & 20f)	Returned Granted	10-11-39 11-27-39
B3-Z-366	3-8-40	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	Granted	3-25-40
B3-R-842	5-10-40	Renewal of license	Granted 1230kc, 100w, U	3-24-41

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B3-P-2935	7-2-40	C.P. to install new transmitter, erect a vertical antenna and increase power from 100 watts to 250 watts.	GRANTED	11-19-40
Rec'd	7-18-40	Filed by Atty Roberson.		
B3-L-1381	3-29-41	License to cover C.P.(B3-P-2935) to install new transmitter, new antenna & increase in power.	Granted	5-8-41
received	3-31-41			
B3-Z-914	5-3-41	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement.	Granted	5-29-41
Rec'd	5-8-41			
B3-R-842	8-1-41	Renewal of license and Form 335	Granted	10-21-41
B3-R-842	6-30-42	Renewal of license and Form 335		
Recd.	7-20-42	Filed by Spearman	Granted	9-8-42

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-R-842	12-16-42	Renewal of license	Granted	2-9-43
B3-R-842	7-20-44	Renewal of license and Forms 303-A	Returned	7-31-44
Recd.	7-24-44	Filed by John Spearman (Filed on obsolete form & too early)	303-forms---303-A retained-in-office-	
"	11-3-44	Renewal of license	Granted	2-13-45
Recd	11-13-44	Filed by John Spearman		
B3-R-842	11-20-45	Renewal of license	Granted	4-10-46
Rec'd	11-26-45	Filed by John C. Spearman atty. Photos filed 12-10-45 Amend. filed 2-5-46		
B3-P-5310	9-23-46	Construction permit to install a new vertical	GRANTED	10-15-46
Rec'd	9-24-46	antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower.		
Filed	9-24-46	Paul D.P. Spearman, Att'y George C. Davis, Engr.		

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-2742 Rec'd Filed	5-12-47 5-13-47 5-13-47	Mod. of C.P. (B3-P-5310, which authorized installation of new vertical antenna and to mount FM antenna on top of AM tower) for extension of commencement and completion dates from 12-15-46 and 6-15-47 <u>TO</u> 9-15-47 and 12-15-47, respectively. (Filed by John C. Spearman, Atty.)	GRANTED	5-21-47

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3446 Rec'd Filed	12-3-47 12-9-47 12-9-47	Mod. of C.P. (B3-P-5310, as mod., which authorized installation of new vertical antenna and to mount FM antenna on top of AM tower) for extension of completion date from: 12-15-47 to: 3-15-48. (John C. Spearman, Atty.)	GRANTED	12-17-47
EP-6682 Rec'd Filed	3-26-48 3-30-48 3-30-48	Construction permit to reinstate construction permit (B3-P-5310, as mod., which authorized the installation of new vertical antenna and mounting of FM antenna on top of AM tower) to be operated on 1230kc, 250w, unlimited hours of operation. Russell Rowell, Atty.	GRANTED	4-20-48

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W A I MName WILTON E. HALL

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-3400 Rec'd Filed	9-5-48 10-12-48 10-12-48	License to cover C.P. (BP-6682) which authorized the installation of new vertical antenna and mounting of FM antenna on top of AM tower.	GRANTED	11-4-48
BR-842 Rec'd	11-20-48 12-1-48	Renewal of license	GRANTED	1-18-49
BR-842 Rec'd Filed	10-11-51 10-15-51 10-15-51	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-19-52
BRC-167 Rec'd Filed	8-29-53 9-2-53 9-2-53	Modification of license to operate transmitter by Remote Control from 1 Martin Street, Anderson, South Carolina.	GRANTED	9-4-53
BZ-3568 Rec'd Filed	2-18-54 3-24-54 3-24-54	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power Filed by John C. Spearman, Atty.	GRANTED	5-7-54

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FORM A-170
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-842	8-30-54	Renewal of License (Not Notarized)	Returned	9-19-54
Rec'd	9-1-54			
Resub.	8-30-54		GRANTED	1-19-55
Rec'd	9-22-54			
Filed	9-22-54			
BR-842	8-26-57	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-6-57
Rec'd	8-28-57			
Filed	8-28-57			
BP-13,156	5-14-59	Construction Permit to increase daytime power from 250w <u>to</u> 1kw and install a new transmitter (RCA-BTA-1R) Atty.- Benedict P. Cottone Engr.- George C. Davis	GRANTED	2-23-61
Rec'd	5-15-59		COND'L RE accept interf. imposed by existing Class IV stations if auth. incr. power to 1kw. & permittee shall sub ant. resistance meas. with 302 accordance with 3.54 of Rules	
Filed	5-15-59			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name WILTON E. HALL
Andersen, South Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-842 Rec'd Filed	8-29-60 8-31-60 8-31-60	Renewal of license	GRANTED	SCHXX 2-1-61
BL-8465 R. & F.	4-8-61 4-11-61	License to cover C. P. (BP-13,156) which authorized increase daytime power and the installation of a new transmitter.	Granted	8-10-61
BR-842 Rec'd Filed	8-26-63 9-3-63 9-3-63	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-27-63
BL-10,518 R. & F.	1-30-64 2-4-64	Lic to use old main trans(W.E. 451-AL) at present loc of main trans; to be operated on: 1230kc, 250w, for Auxiliary Purposes ONLY. ATTY: Cottone and Fanelli	GRANTED	6-30-64

FORM BC-121#13
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name WILTON E. HALL
Anderson, South Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-6027 Rec'd Resub. R & F	5/17/66 5/18/66 6/9/66	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (Auxiliary)	RETURNED: 5/23/66 two addl. copies nec. GRANTED	5/23/66 two addl. copies nec. 7-12-66
BZ-6002 R & F	5/10/66 5/13/66	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (MAIN)	GRANTED	6-22-66
BR-842 R & F	8-26-66 8-29-66	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	12-21-66
BZ-6581 R & F DM-7/25/67	7/13/67 7/17/67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of ant. power. (Main)	GRANTED	8-29-67
BZ-6582 R & F DM-7/25/67 AUG 25 1967	7/13/67 7/17/67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of ant. power. (Aux.)	GRANTED	8-29-67

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Aug. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name WILTON E. HALL
Anderson, South Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-842 R & F #537359 \$105 PN PRESS NOV 7 1969	8-28-69 9-2-69 9-2-69	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary) AMENDED 11-3-69 re: Section II resubmitted re date of Engineer signature	GRANTED	12-24-69
BR-842 R & F PN PRESS SEP 13 1972	9-1-72 9-7-72 9-7-72	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary) AMENDED 12-4-72 re: ascertainment of community needs	Granted	12-20-72
BR-842 R & F PN Recd. PRESS BR-842 R & F	7-22-75 7-28-75 AUG 29 1975 9-19-75 10-1-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (Main) Renewal of Auxiliary	GRANTED	11-26-75

Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1230kHz

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THE ONE CORPORATION

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Name XFRANK L. OUTLAW, II
WILTON E. HALL

Anderson, South Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BZ-8990 R & F DM PRES DEC 10 1975	10-1-75 10-7-75 12-2-75	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	2-26-76
Amend	1-26-76	Section II-A for Auxiliary transmitter		
DM(Aux.)	1-30-76		(Ltr adopted)	
BAL -9262 R & F FORM 316 (ALSO SEE TV AND FM WCAC)	12-29-77 1-11-78 2/6/78	Voluntary assignment of license to FRANK L. OUTLAW, II STATEMENT RE SEC. 73.636(a)(1) Atty for assignor - B. Cottone	GRANTED EFF:	5-31-78 7-1-78
PN filed FEB 10 1978				
BAL780720ED Form 316 (Also see WCAC and WAIM-TV)	7-7-78 AUG 4 1978	Voluntary assignment of license to THE ONE CORPORATION Atty - Benedict P. Cottone	GRANTED EFF:	8-8-78 10-2-78

BAL-9262 Amended 4-17-78 re: Programming data; current list & # of employees; finan. data; justification for common ownership of sta. involved & bank letter

NOTE: BAL780720ED - Atty. called 8-2-78 for Cert. of By-Laws.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1230khz.

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Name THE ONE CORPORATION
X FRANK : OUTLAW, II
Anderson, South Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR780802UD R & F PRESS	7-27-78 8-2-78 AUG 11 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-20-79
BZ-800731AF R & F PRESS	AUG 12 1980 7-31-80	DIRECT MEASUREMENT	GRANTED	8-21-80

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

1230KHz.

Call Letters: W A I M

Name: THE ONE CORPORATION

Station Location: ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BP801020AS PRESS (O)	DEC 5 1980	CP to chg. TL & SL to: Intersection of Williamston and Simpson Road, Anderson, South Carolina. MAJOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION UNDER SECTION 1.1305 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES. 34° 31' 52" 82° 36' 50" Atty. Frank J. Martin, Jr. (Sutherland, Asbill and Brennan)	GRANTED 2-11-81 Con'd

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only one set is known to exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

